

KEPR-TV Issues/Programs List for 3rd Quarter 2012

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KEPR-TV QUARTERLY REPORT

3RD QUARTER 2012

Crime

<p>Program: KEPR-TV News Date: 7/2/12 Duration: Description It's a ten-year prison sentence for the murder that resulted from a love triangle in Walla Walla. The Walla Walla Union Bulletin reports Angela Effinger's sentence is on the low-end of the spectrum.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News Date: 7/5/12 Duration: Description: continuing to cover the former Hanford High teacher now accused of rape. Daryl Rachinski was in court today.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News Date: 7/5/12 Duration: Description: Hermiston police tried to give a familiar face the benefit of the doubt -- but it was hard to do when the suspect has been arrested 23 times before. Ivan Santoyo wasn't having any of their generosity.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News Date: 7/6/12 Duration: Description: A Pasco man was arrested for sticking bottles of Hennessey down his drawers all over town. Employees at the Pasco Rite Aid on 20th say they watched Thomas Franklin slip the cognac in his pants.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News Date: 7/10/12 Duration: Description: Today, the nanny accused of killing Ryder Morrison was in court. The manslaughter case against Kelli Jacobson is set for trial September 17.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News Date: 7/10/12 Duration: Description: The Hermiston man accused of kidnapping his girlfriend -- will have a little more time to reflect on his charges while behind bars. Alberto Martinez won't see the courtroom until September now.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News Date: 7/11/12 Duration: Description: KEPR is looking into the cases of violence involving customers and bouncers at a popular bar. The issue came to light when a man was left in a coma following a fight at Jack Didley's in Kennewick on the 4th of July.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p>

Date: 7/12/12

Duration:

Description: The story of a man severely injured at Jack Didley's continues to drive interest from many people here in the Tri-Cities.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/12/12

Duration:

Description: One of the area's more notorious sex offenders has been seen chatting up young girls at Richland restaurants. Police want everyone to know just how dangerous Richard Shoemake is

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/12/12

Duration:

Description: A Walla Walla man trying to clean up gang taggings was stabbed for his efforts last night. Police say the 20-year old was painting over graffiti near Chestnut earlier when a group of men surrounded him demanding he leave the area and not show his face again.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/13/12

Duration:

Description: We begin tonight with the a late-breaking development in the case of a Richland man who is now fighting for his life, after a run-in with bouncers at Jack Didley's in Kennewick.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/13/12

Duration:

Description: But never would you imagine the trip to your new home to end with a swollen face and no worldly possessions to speak of. Police are looking for a Ford Pick-up like the one you see here. A Texas man on his way to Seattle says he was back-stabbed by the very friend he was travelling with.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/18/12

Duration:

Description: Hermiston man was locked in the back of a police cruiser for at least the 27th time in his life late Sunday. Officers arrested Rhyen Baney yet again. This time for stealing his own grandfather's car.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/18/12

Duration:

Description: Rival gangs were looking for blood on the door-step of a Walla Walla home Monday night -- but police say it could have turned much worse. The fight started with a simple door knock at a home on West Chestnut -- and immediately lead to a pair of 17-year olds throwing punches.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/19/12

Duration:

Description: A coroner's inquest could help determine if someone should be held accountable for the shooting death of a Walla Walla man.

The sheriff's investigation may be complete but the county coroner is still looking into the death of Cesar Chavira.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/20/12

Duration:

Description: A Hermiston woman was rushed to the hospital this afternoon after a pickup plowed into her on 3-95. Witnesses say the full size truck had a white canopy -- and took off southbound after running through 60-year old Linda Lerrossignol.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/23/12

Duration:

Description: Terry Hofler and Kable Gunter tried to rape a ten-year old girl. The crime happened after deputies say the men burst into the family's home near Oakdell Egg Farms through an unlocked door.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/23/12

Duration:

Description: A strange incident at the Kennewick Walmart ended with a man arrested on multiple charges. Police tell KEPR a mom left her 13-year old in charge of the two-other kids as she ran inside the store on Saturday afternoon.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/23/12

Duration:

Description: the man accused of embezzling millions from Franklin County taxpayers. Dennis Huston is expected in court tomorrow for another hearing.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/24/12

Duration:

Description: Teenaged gang members are likely to blame for a shooting in Kennewick today.

Neighbors say they heard multiple gunshots just minutes after a teen had climbed out of a police cruiser.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/24/12

Duration:

Description: Prosecutors have until tomorrow to charge two-men with a terrifying home invasion in Franklin County. One of the men is a level-three sex offender who'd been

released from jail just a few weeks ago. Police say Terry Hoefler was one of the people who broke into the home on the Oakdell Egg Farm and tried to rape a little girl.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/24/12

Duration:

Description: Dennis Huston's trial was pushed back to mid-October. The former head of accounting for Franklin County Public Works is accused of embezzling almost two-million dollars during his 20-plus years at the county.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/25/12

Duration:

Description: We begin tonight with the latest on the Richland man critically-injured by bouncers at Jack Didley's in Kennewick.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/25/12

Duration:

Description: The police conducted interviews late into the night to get to the bottom of yesterday's shooting off Kennewick Avenue.to no avail.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/25/12

Duration:

Description: It's life in prison.and then some for a Walla Walla gang member found guilty of murder. Benito Gomez has been sentenced to 114-years in prison for the death of a rival gang member.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/25/12

Duration:

Description: Prosecutors have officially charged the men at the center of a terrifying Franklin County home invasion with residential burglary and attempted rape of a child.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/25/12

Duration:

Description: A former Umatilla teacher has been stripped of her license as the state accuses her of having sex with one -- if not multiple under-aged students. Kristle Starr Vandever is a former E-S-L teach at McNary Heights, and apparently doesn't deny the latest finding by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/12

Duration:

Description: Vandever was a teacher at McNary Elementary when the investigation began in 2010. She quickly resigned that Spring.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/12

Duration:

Description: There is still limited information about a shooting in Hermiston this morning. I confirmed with police that a 19-year-old male was shot on the west end of town.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/12

Duration:

Description: Now that a bouncer faces criminal charges for Ben Ensign's injuries -- some people are asking why more serious charges were not filed. 41-year-old Matthew Hibbard is accused of 3rd degree assault.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/12

Duration:

Description: Every plea deal the Umatilla District Attorney has tried to make in a murder case has been shot down. George Craigen wants to go forward with his trial. He's accused of shooting his Milton-Freewater neighbor last December.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/1/12

Duration:

Description: Two-years after a brush fire revealed a murdered man. Sheriff's Deputies still want to know who killed a man and left his body in a Benton County orchard. Juan Segoviano was shot back in the summer of 2010.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/3/12

Duration:

Description: Walla Walla is preparing for a rare death inquest. It will determine whether a shooting was justified. Cesar Chavira was killed while breaking into an outdoor store.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/3/12

Duration:

Description: Police tell KEPR the largest fencing operation the Tri-Cities has ever known -- is closed for business -- permanently. Officers raided City Lube in east Pasco. They said the garage on West Lewis Street was a front for buying and selling stolen goods.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/6/12

Duration:

Description: The first person to be charged by a new law in Richland is facing some very stiff penalties. Tim Thornton told KEPR he could end up in jail now that he's a convicted noise violator.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/6/12

Duration:

Description: It turns out the woman accused is the Mayor Pro Tem of Connell. Deputies say the scheme run by Monica Pruett likely went on for 12-years, netting more than 160-thousand dollars.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/6/12

Duration:

Description: Two brothers became a thorn in the side of Prosser Police over the weekend. A 14 and 17 year old duo were arrested for stealing items out of unlocked cars at the Aquatic Center.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/7/12

Duration:

Description: An elected official is now facing charges she ripped off a company for a dozen [years.in](#) an ongoing scheme that threatens to bankrupt a Mesa farm. Connell Councilwoman and Mayor Pro-Tem Monica Pruett faces felony theft and money laundering charges.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/8/12

Duration:

Description: It's a rare case where you know exactly who shot a man to death -- and that person is not in jail. And never has been arrested.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/8/12

Duration:

Description: the Mayor Pro Tem of Connell who was arrested over the weekend. Today -- she was officially charged with theft.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/8/12

Duration:

Description: the man accused of roughing him up with officially charged with third degree assault. Bouncer Matthew Hibbard makes his first court appearance tomorrow.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/9/12

Duration:

Description: But first, the bouncer accused of causing serious injuries to a bar patron was in court for his appearance today. Matthew Hibbard faces assault charges. The 41-year old pleaded not guilty to third degree assault with aggravated circumstances.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/9/12

Duration:

Description: A former Hanford High teacher accused of rape made another appearance in Benton County today. Daryl Rachinski is accused of an attack on a 16-year old girl in a home.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/9/12

Duration:

Description: A Pasco couple also made a court appearance in their charges surrounding the murder of Judy Hebert. Prosecutors want more D-N-A samples from Judy's daughter, Tashia Stuart.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/9/12

Duration:

Description: a Pasco masseuse can't perform his job after patients say he put his hands where they weren't wanted. Juan Ochoa's license was suspended on charges of sexual assault.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/10/12

Duration:

Description: A Prescott woman is recovering from a random shovel attack. According to Walla Walla Sheriff's -- Arin Goe took a step outside to get some fresh air early Wednesday morning -- when she was blind-sided by a man wielding a shovel.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/10/12

Duration:

Description: Two weeks back -- KEPR found out Richland's Hills West neighborhood was under-attack by nocturnal burglars. As home-owners slept -- their belongings crept off into the dead of night.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/10/12

Duration:

Description: As we first reported on keprtv.com a jury decided a Walla Walla store owner was justified in shooting a burglar to death. The incident had resulted in protests and divisions across the small town.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/12/12

Duration:

Description: the search for an injured man leads police to finding some stolen property. An emergency medical call led police to this home off of road 100 in West Pasco. A neighbor called 9-1-1 after she says a man came to her for medical attention.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/13/12

Duration:

Description: A Walla Walla store owner will face no criminal charges for killing a man. The Prosecuting Attorney decided it wasn't likely a jury would have convicted John Saul if this case had gone to trial.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/13/12

Duration:

Description: A former daycare worker will be sentenced on child rape charges tomorrow. Lucas Miller admitted to the same crime he was charged with last fall.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/13/12

Duration:

Description: 23 grams of meth are off the streets thanks to crooks slipping up. Witnesses called 9-1-1 last week -- fearing what Alejandro Ayala was going to do with the knife and gun they say he had pressed against another man's head.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/13/12

Duration:

Description: Another former Hanford worker pleaded guilty to manipulating her time card - and ripping off taxpayer money. Rhonda Stamper claimed nearly 3-thousand hours of over-time she never completed.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/14/12

Duration:

Description: The crime shocked the community. a daycare worker arrested for abusing the very kids he was taking care of. It happened at Kid's World Childcare in Richland last fall. Lucas Miller is now a convicted child rapist.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/14/12

Duration:

Description: the Mayor Pro Tem of Connell. Monica Pruett made another appearance in court today on theft charges. Her trial is set for early December. Pruett pleaded not guilty to first-degree theft and money laundering with aggravated circumstances.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/14/12

Duration:

Description: a bizarre twist in the case of the West Pasco man who shot and paralyzed his neighbor. Frolian Campos-Gonzales wants to withdraw the plea deal he received.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/15/12

Duration:

Description: new information on the discovery of a woman's body inside a Pendleton hotel. The young woman who wrote she loved to draw and write poetry -- ended up as the first homicide for Pendleton in more than two-years. 19-yr old Amyjane Brandhagen posted on Facebook just last week that she had started working at the Travelodge on Dorian.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/15/12

Duration:

Description: After a short investigation, one business in Kennewick has been closed down - accused of giving customers more than they paid for. Kennewick Police, U-S Marshals and Immigration stormed into the China Sun Massage Parlor on Grandridge last night.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/15/12

Duration:

Description: A unique arrest in Walla Walla. Police say a man walked into TOCK-eriaTaqueria Yungapeti and tried joining restaurant staff in the kitchen. Police believe Brad Hines was high on drugs or at the very least heavily-intoxicated when he roamed to the back and started carving up a chicken and serving customers this morning.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/15/12

Duration:

Description: The Kennewick man who held off SWAT in a stand-off last January has been declared insane. A judge found Ronald Vailencour not guilty -- saying he needs to be put in the care of Eastern State Hospital staff instead.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/17/12

Duration:

Description: as we first reported earlier this week, a Kennewick massage parlor was shut down -- after workers were accused of groping customers. Now, three people are facing criminal charges. The owner and two employees of China Sun Massage were in court on felony charges today.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/17/12

Duration:

Description: 15-thousand dollars worth of stolen belongings has been recovered in Walla Walla. Police are filing away a summer-long investigation into an outbreak of fraud. The goods were bought with credit-cards stolen out of cars throughout Walla Walla, the Tri-Cities, and even Umatilla.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/19/12

Duration:

Description: The man accused of raping children at a Richland daycare will be sentenced on Monday. Lucas Miller admitted to the same crime he was charged with last fall.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/20/12

Duration:

Description: Lucas Miller attacked a child at Richland's Kid's World Child Care on Comstock last year. Sentencing was pushed back again today. Miller is asking for a second chance but faces a life sentence.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/20/12

Duration:

Description: The massage parlor workers accused of assault -- were back in court today. Public Defender Eric Shu informed his clients that there is a customs hold on them.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/21/12

Duration:

Description: A mom convicted of assaulting her baby will now get another trial. Olga Shved was found guilty back in 2009 after her baby had broken arms, legs and ribs -- along with skull fractures. The Franklin County Prosecutor's office tells KEPR a technicality in the sentencing process is putting the case back at square one.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/21/12

Duration:

Description: Walla Walla police stopped the attempt to rip off De Sales High School early this morning. Two people were arrested after breaking a window. They face burglary and mischief charges.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/23/12

Duration:

Description: A Pasco man accused of killing his mother-in-law got a small legal victory -- but faces a new one. Todd Stuart is charged with attempted murder in the death of Judy Hebert.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/23/12

Duration:

Description: continuing to cover the death of a Richland toddler. Today -- the nanny accused of killing little Ryder Morrison was in court. The defense is still reluctant to set a firm pretrial date.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/27/12

Duration:

Description: continuing to follow the case of the Kennewick man charged with murdering his grandmother. Adam Williams will remain in a psychiatric hospital.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/28/12

Duration:

Description: new information on the man accused of stabbing his Pasco roommate to death. Joseph Hart will remain in a psychiatric hospital for now. He's accused of killing 53-year old Rodger Lincoln at their mobile home back in March.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/28/12

Duration:

Description: The West Pasco man who shot and paralyzed his neighbor will try to get a new trial in Franklin County. Froilan Campos-Gonzales made a plea deal last Spring to avoid a long prison sentence.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/29/12

Duration:

Description: A Pasco man accused of trying to kill his mother-in-law -- got another break in court today. Todd Stuart is charged with attempted murder in the death of Judy Hebert.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/29/12

Duration:

Description: Walla Walla police had all day to respond to a morning burglary -- where the crook cornered himself on the roof of the store he just robbed. They say 43-year old Brent York slipped in through the top of Los Tapitios Market

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/3/12

Duration:

Description: continuing to follow a Pendleton murder mystery. Weeks after a 19-year old was found dead at her workplace -- there have been no arrests -- or even a suspect named. In fact, we still don't know how Amyjane Brandhagen died.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/3/12

Duration:

Description: a Hermiston man made another stop in jail. Daryl Lanphear has been arrested at least once in *each of the past five months. The 33-year old had handcuffs slapped on for the 21st time over the weekend.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/15/12

Duration:

Description: Washington state's biggest alleged fraud case, is on hold once again. Dennis Huston was in court again today, only to push back his trial til next year. The former head of accounting at Franklin County Public Works says he's not guilty of embezzling millions of your taxpayer dollars.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/6/12

Duration:

Description: The final chapter has closed on the Richland daycare worker convicted of raping a child in his care. Lucas Miller will definitely spend eight-years in prison.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/6/12

Duration:

Description: A Pasco man accused of trying to kill his mother-in-law -- will go to trial after all. Todd Stuart is charged with attempted murder in the death of Judy Hebert. Prosecutor Shawn Sant told KEPR a motion was filed to an appeals court to Stuart's statements admitted during his trial.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/9/12

Duration:

Description: Jury selection will start in the case of a Pasco man accused of trying to kill his mother-in-law. Todd Stuart is charged with attempted murder in the death of Judy Hebert.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/10/12

Duration:

Description: Jury selection has begun for the trial of a Pasco man accused of trying to kill his mother-in-law. Todd Stuart sat quietly as prospective jurors were questioned.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/10/12

Duration:

Description: yet another delay in the case of an accused kidnapper in Hermiston. Alberto Martinez showed up in court yesterday only to be brought right back to his cell. His defense attorneys say they are still not prepared enough to proceed with the trial.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/11/12

Duration:

Description: Coyote Ridge is locked down at this hour, after a broomstick attack sent three guards to the hospital.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/13/12

Duration:

Description: Walla Walla Police got their man - but at the same time didn't. Devon Millar turned himself in when he heard they were looking for him.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/14/12

Duration:

Description: Shots rang out again in Walla Walla this week. And this time they make their mark. Three people were hit at the 11-hundred block of West Cherry Street just before

midnight.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/17/12

Duration:

Description: two people were rushed to the hospital -- after an early morning drive-by in Milton-Freewater. Witnesses say a pair a vehicles lit up with gunshots on the 800-block of North Elizabeth.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/18/12

Duration:

Description: still working to get information on a shooting in Milton-Freewater that hurt three-people. The D-A won't say it was a drive-by -- and only confirms a report about gunshots being fired on Elizabeth Street.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/19/12

Duration:

Description: Opening statements are expected tomorrow for the former Pasco man accused of plotting to kill his mother-in-law. At first a supposed jail cell confession from Todd Stuart wasn't going to be allowed in, because it was made without a lawyer.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/20/12

Duration:

Description: A Milton-Freewater man is accused of manning the wheel in a drive-by that hurt three people last week in Walla Walla. One victim told them Eric Nordman didn't shoot the gun -- but he knows who did.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/20/12

Duration:

Description: Opening statements began this morning for the former Pasco man accused of plotting to kill his mother-in-law. Todd Stuart is being tried separately from his wife -- but his defense appears to be pinning the whole thing on her.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/21/12

Duration:

Description: The first witness was called to the stand in the attempted murder trial of a former Pasco man.
Prosecutors and the defense heard testimony from the doctor who performed the autopsy on Judy Hebert, who was Stuart's mother-in-law.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/23/12

Duration:

Description: Walla Walla police have also arrested a man accused of stabbing a woman

outside a local bar. Police found Ryan Farr hiding in a garage just two blocks away from the Border Tavern.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/24/12

Duration:

Description: Franklin County jurors saw secretly recorded home videos and heard about cell phone records that could implicate Todd Stuart in a plot to kill his mother-in-law. Stuart is facing first degree attempted murder charges for the death of Judy Hebert.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/24/12

Duration:

Description: frightening details about a traffic stop in Oregon near Stanfield. Police tell us a Texas driver intended to "make a chemical bomb" and blow up a large area

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/24/12

Duration:

Description: crooks headed to Pizza Hut after hours -- but it wasn't for the stuffed crust. Police say burglars stuffed their pockets with money from the register -- also snatching up three flat-screen T-V's -- and a number of Tri-City Fever jerseys.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/24/12

Duration:

Description: Thieves don't normally leave behind footprints on purpose -- but police are in full support if the trend should it happen to catch on. They say a group of Kennewick men stole a bunch of stuff from Walmart and then tried to return it for cash.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/25/12

Duration:

Description: KEPR is continuing to cover a high-profile attempted murder trial out of Franklin County. Jurors must decide whether they believe a career criminal -- now testifying for the state. Clinton Crowder is now a jailhouse snitch. He turned on former cellmate Todd Stuart.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/26/12

Duration:

Description: The fate of a Pasco man accused of attempted murder is now in the hands of a jury. Closing arguments in the case against Todd Stuart were heard today. The state's case focused on the large bin of books that fell on Judy Hebert's head.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/27/12

Duration:

Description: KEPR was the only station to capture Todd Stuart walking out of jail -- just a

short time after he was acquitted on attempted murder charges. The former Pasco man left his cell at the Franklin County Jail -- Stuart's parents were waiting for him outside.

ECONOMY

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/5/12

Duration:

Description: the Tri-Cities airport nailed down plans for its expansion -- now it just needs to pay for it. Airport officials need to get their hands on at least 25 million dollars in the next year.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/13/12

Duration:

Description: The Biggest event of the year is in full swing! No, not the water follies - the Annual Jehovah's Witness Convention! Attendance isn't the only big number

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/13/12

Duration:

Description: some good news in Hermiston -- where the hotel motel tax will be used to help improve parks. About 45-thousand will be spent in all. Half that money will expand the Aquatic Center to provide more shade sitting areas.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/16/12

Duration:

Description: Hermiston has gotten its first frozen yogurt shop. "Yo Country" opened on Friday and the owner says it was packed all weekend.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/14/12

Duration:

Description: the cash-strapped Walla Walla Airport is long over-due for some good news. and it came today in the form of a quarter-million dollar grant.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/14/12

Duration:

Description: major changes are on the way for two of Pasco's public pools. Both Richardson and Kurtzman pools have been closed because of maintenance problems.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/19/12

Duration:

Description: Magill's is adding a third location in Kennewick. It's going to be on Columbia Drive in the old Willingham's grill building

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/19/12

Duration:

Description: Katya's Wine Bar in Richland has closed it's doors. But in its place comes a new hangout. The Fox and Bear Public house will open it's doors sometime in the next few

months.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/26/12

Duration:

Description: Ben-Franklin Transit has something to hide.The State Auditor's Office released a scathing report about the mishandling of your money that went on for years.But the transit system doesn't want to talk about it.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/26/12

Duration:

Description:The Benton-Franklin Health District also got stern reprimands from the State's Auditor's Office.Key turnovers left the department understaffed -- and under-reporting where grant money went.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/30/12

Duration:

Description:The waiting game continues for construction of the new Tri-Cities Aquatic building. Work has been delayed for two more months--- all because Franklin County can't seem to find a site to build the facility.The 35-million dollar project was reportedly going to be built at TRAC Center--- but Action News dug deeper and learned that was never the case.

Local Education:

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/12/12

Duration:

Description: Most elementary schools in the Tri-Cities are bursting at the seams. Portable buildings can be found on nearly every campus. Now Richland is considering closing an entire school.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/12/12

Duration:

Description:Of course -- this is the plan to fix the overcrowding issues in north Richland -- so what about schools in the south end of town? White Bluffs Elementary was quickly filled to capacity right after it opened.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 7/20/12

Duration:

Description: the road to Highlands Middle School will be a little bit safer this year -- thanks to new flashing school zone signs. They're similar to the flashing signs on Fourth Avenue near Amistad Elementary school.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/7/12

<p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: It was move-in day for the latest Kennewick elementary that underwent a complete remodel. Sunset View Elementary is now finished.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p> <p>Date: 8/10/12</p> <p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: The Prosser school board is looking to tighten up its policy on sex offenders on school grounds. The ultimate goal of the policy is to prohibit *all registered sex offenders from campus. No matter what their level or conditions.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p> <p>Date: 8/19/12</p> <p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: Tonight we learned much less of your tax dollars are being spent by the Kennewick School District. Three-years after voters agreed to raise property taxes to build and remodel schools -- the costs of construction are coming in way under budget</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p> <p>Date: 8/21/12</p> <p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: Clean up continued for a second day at Walla Walla's Blue Ridge Elementary. The school is closed after a fire in the basement. There's mostly water and smoke damage.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p> <p>Date: 8/21/12</p> <p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: Pasco has been trying to stay ahead of its own growth -- and now the school district has permits for two new elementary schools.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p> <p>Date: 8/28/12</p> <p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: - it was back-to-school for tens of thousands of kids today. But some were shut out in Kennewick. Many schools have waiting lists for kindergarteners. After Kennewick gets its official counts on actual enrollment, more spots could open up for students.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p> <p>Date: 8/28/12</p> <p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: bond issues are moving forward for two-local districts. They could mean new schools in Richland and Pasco -- if voters agree to pay for them.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p> <p>Date: 8/30/12</p> <p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: A frightening experience for a Richland mom and dad sending their daughter off to school for the first time. They say the bus driver left their kindergartner with a complete stranger.</p>
<p>Program: KEPR-TV News</p> <p>Date: 8/31/12</p> <p>Duration:</p> <p>Description: a Kennewick mom called with her own frightening tale. Her second grader got off the bus near Highway-395 -- well before her scheduled drop-off time -- and well before</p>

she and sitter could get there.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/1/12

Duration:

Description: Just in time for the start of school, a dual language program is making plenty of headway in the Kennewick School District. Action News learned 7th graders now have the option of participating in the dual language program.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/1/12

Duration:

Description: We learned there are big changes to school menus this year. Fatty foods are out--- fruits and veggies are in--- all in an effort to keep your kids fit.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/4/12

Duration:

Description: KEPR has learned overcrowded kindergarten classes aren't just a problem here in the Tri-Cities. Kiona-Benton School District has more little guys starting school this year than they can handle. Ki-Be Elementary has 118 kids with only four-teachers to instruct them.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/13/12

Duration:

Description: Cameras in Hermiston Schools. They've been in place for a year. KEPR has followed up and found that they have been everything officials had hoped.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/21/12

Duration:

Description: Hermiston High School is 100-thousand dollars closer to getting a rebuilt stadium complex. The Kennison Project is a program to add a new track surface, multi-sport field turf, bleachers, concessions building, parking, and improve landscaping.

Local Hanford:

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 8/28/12

Duration:

Description: the man who oversees engineering at Hanford says Bechtel National needs to be pulled off the vit plant immediately. The contractor was hired to design the 12-million dollar waste treatment plant.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/28/12

Duration:

Description: Battelle will pay-up over some very pricey eggs. The company owes the government nearly 100-thousand dollars for destroying hundreds of swallow nests. The feds

say this is a criminal act.

Program: KEPR-TV News

Date: 9/28/12

Duration:

Description: A Hanford whistleblower will not see any of the money recovered in recent government fraud cases. Carl Schroeder helped weed out his co-workers in a time card system scheme. But while he may have blown the whistle on seven people -- he was part of the fraud scheme himself and found guilty of felony charges.

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